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MEMORANDUM FOR: ELINT Staff Officer

THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence) and
Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT: Review of Implementation of CIA Responsibilities
Under Technological Capabilities Panel

REFERENCE: Memorandum for the NSC, January 2, 1957, from its
Executive Secretary, Subject: Recommendations of
the Report to the President by the Technological
Capabilities Panel of the Science Advisory Committee,
OSM: Follow-up Study

1. Referenced memorandum contains the following action, approved by the President:

"Noted that the departments and agencies will conduct special periodic reviews of the areas of the TCP Report falling within their responsibilities to identify problems for special study where new intelligence or new technological advances alter our vulnerability to surprise attack."

2. Such a review is now underway and I would appreciate receiving from you by 5 July 1957 a report covering the period through 30 June 1957 on Specific Recommendation C.6:

"There are generally recognized technical and administrative problems in the field of ELINT (electronic noise listening). This situation urgently needs attention. A combination of technical knowledge and adequate authority at a high level is required."


NSA review(s) completed.

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3. One year ago in connection with the last report to the NSC on the status of the Foreign Intelligence Program, Annex C. thereof gave the status on this Specific Recommendation as follows:

"On 16 May 1955 the NSC noted the issuance of NSCID-17 which was approved by the Intelligence Advisory Committee for improvement of ELINT analysis. The National Technical Processing Center is now being activated with the full cooperation of CIA. It appears that ELINT cooperation and coordination will be effectively carried out."

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